

Geological Finds at Westmoreland

Along the river beaches and at the foot of Horsehead Cliffs, fossils, shells, sharks' teeth and whale bones may be found. These fossils are the remains of ancient marine animals that swam in the Miocene Sea. As they died, they were quickly buried in sediment that now makes up unconsolidated or loosely compacted beds of gravel, sand, silt and clay. We hope you enjoy these fossils. Their removal by digging is prohibited.

While at Westmoreland

We hope you take the opportunity to explore the Northern Neck, an area rich in scenic, recreational and historical offerings. Westmoreland is within minutes of the birthplaces of two of Virginia's most famous sons: Wakefield, birthplace of George Washington, and Stratford Hall, birthplace of Gen. Robert E. Lee. Both are open to the public on a seasonal basis. The surrounding area is home to many antique and specialty shops, berry farms, marinas, seafood shops and even a winery. Stop by the park office for more information on nearby attractions.

Open daily Memorial Day – Labor Day
(weather dependent):
Olympic Size Swimming Pool
Snack Bar

Open on a limited schedule Mothers Day –
Columbus Day
Boat Rental
Camp Store
Conference Center (for group reservations)

Overnight Information

Overnight visitors must inform park staff of the names of visitors expected to arrive at the campsite or cabin area. Visitors will not be admitted to

camping and cabin areas unless so identified. Visitors are permitted between 8 a.m. and 10 p.m. Pets are allowed in state park campgrounds and cabins. A fee will be charged per pet/night. Complete reservations information is available at the park office or contact station.

Campground Information

Campsites are designed for use by one family or a maximum of six people. One motor vehicle, in addition to the camping unit, is permitted per site. A second vehicle is permitted if room permits; a fee will be charged for the second vehicle. Low impact campsites are being created to reduce effects to natural resource. Camping equipment must remain within the padded and timbered areas. The maximum camping stay per park is 14 days in any 30-day period. Check-out time is 3 p.m. No camping units, vehicles or personal property may be left. Quiet hours: 10 p.m. – 8 a.m. Washer and dryer are available at Campground A.

Cabin Information

State park cabins are generally rented on a weekly basis. The weekly reservations period runs from Saturday or Sunday at 3 p.m. to the following Saturday or Sunday at 10 a.m. Maximum cabin rental is two consecutive weeks. Those cabins not reserved on a weekly basis may be rented at a night rate for a minimum of two nights. Nightly cabin reservations may be made through the Virginia State Park Reservation Center no earlier than one month in advance of intended stay.

Up to two additional beds are available for a nightly charge. Maximum occupancy per cabin type is as follows:

One room log: Two people
One bedroom log: Four people

Two-bedroom log, frame, or block: Six people
Potomac River Retreat: 16 people
Camping Cabins: Four people

Two vehicles per cabin are permitted and must be parked in the designated parking lots. Cabins are furnished with kitchenette appliances including microwaves and coffee makers. Cabins also feature a fireplace, heat pumps, hot showers with fresh towels, and beds with linens and blankets.

Virginia State Parks Reservation Center

To receive more information on Virginia State Parks or to make a cabin or campsite reservation, call 1-800-933-PARK, in Richmond 225-3867.

Join Us in the Parks – DCR's Volunteer Program

DCR offers diverse opportunities for volunteers in most state parks and natural areas throughout the state. Inquire at the park office for details.

For more information, contact:

Westmoreland State Park
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Montross, VA 22520
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You can also visit www.dcr.state.va.us.



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Montross, Va.


Virginia State Parks provide
A Natural Legacy
of outdoor activities and
programs. They are an important
part of DCR's efforts to promote
a strong conservation ethic.
These efforts ensure that the
best of Virginia's natural
resources will be protected and
available for future generations.

Welcome to Westmoreland State Park. Situated on cliffs overlooking the Potomac River, between the birthplaces of two of Virginia's most famous sons, George Washington and Robert E. Lee, the park is rich in both natural and cultural history. Vacation cabins, camping cabins, campgrounds, beachfront picnic areas, a conference center, swimming pool, boat rentals and miles of wooded trails round out the offerings at Westmoreland State Park. To make your visit safer and more pleasant, we ask you to please observe the following regulations:


 Public use or display of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.

 Pets are permitted in all state parks but must be kept in an enclosed area or on a leash no longer than six feet at all times. No pets are permitted in bathing areas or toilet facilities.

 Hiking trails are for pedestrians only unless otherwise designated. No motorized vehicles or bicycles are allowed on state park trails.

 Fires must be confined to camp grills, camp stoves or designated fire-rings.

Fossil collecting? Digging is not allowed.

 Littering is illegal. Please discard trash in one of our 12 dumpsters. Several recycling areas exist for glass, plastic and aluminum.

Frequent Visitors Save Money

Annual passes for parking and swimming offer the frequent visitor greater savings. Stop by the park office for details.

